

REMARKS

This paper responds to the Office Action dated March 9, 2006. In that Action, the Office rejected all claims except claims 8-12. (Claims 1-18 and 23-25 are pending, and claims 19-22 have been withdrawn.) The Applicants have herein amended claim 1, the single pending independent claim, to include the subject matter previously recited in claim 8. Claim 8 has been cancelled, and claims 9-12, which previously depended on claim 8, have been amended to depend on claim 1. Applicants thus believe that all non-withdrawn claims are now in condition for allowance and request the same.

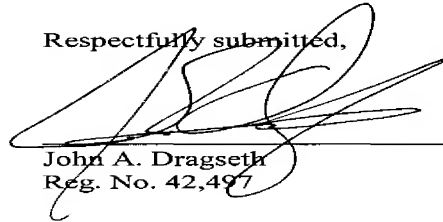
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